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REMARKS

Claims 1 has been amended to state that the device has an intermediate position wherein the

device is blocked from being moved to the open position until the handle is further manipulated. Support for this can be found in paragraph 57. Accordingly, no new matter is

involved.

In the previous office action the Examiner rejected Applicants' claim 1 under 35 USC 103

over Ewerhardt et al. in view of Pena. However, Ewerhardt and Pena fail to disclose a device

having an intermediate position wherein the device is blocked from being moved to the open

position until the handle is further manipulated. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the

Examiner withdraw this rejection to claim 1. In addition, because all other claims depend

from claim 1, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections to

these claims as well.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner re-examine and favorably

reconsider Applicants' claims in the form of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted.

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